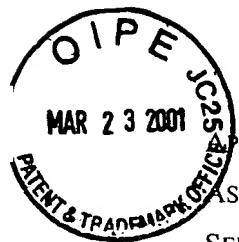


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APPLICANTS: Mehta *et al.*
ASSIGNEES: CuraGen, Corporation
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/351,617 EXAMINER: P. Ponnaluri
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FOR: GENERAL SCREENING METHOD FOR LIGAND-PROTEIN INTERACTIONS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- ☒ Response and Amendment (16 pages);
- ☒ Supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Mehta (3 pages);
- ☒ Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time (1 page in duplicate);
- ☒ Check for \$195.00 (#8165); and
- ☒ Return Postcard.

This filing is in response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2000. This Response is due on or before March 23, 2001, with a two month extension of time. A check for \$195.00 is enclosed to cover petition fees due under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2). Applicants believe no additional fee is due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-518 (CURA-18). A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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